

Florence, New Jersey
March 15, 2006

The Florence Township Council held a regular meeting on the above date in the Municipal Complex, 711 Broad Street, Florence, New Jersey.

The meeting was called to order by President Fratinardo at 8:00 PM. President Fratinardo led the Salute to the Flag.

The following statement was read by the Township Clerk: "Notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice was published in the Burlington County Times on January 8, 2006; given to the Register News for information. Notice was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board."

Upon roll call the following were found to be present:

John Fratinardo, President
Frank Baldorossi
Bruce Garganio
Jerry Sandusky

Also present:

Mayor Michael Muchowski; Richard Brook, Township Administrator; Thomas Sahol, Assistant Municipal Administrator; Dante Guzzi, Township Engineer; William John Kearns, Jr., Township Solicitor; Joy M. Weiler, Township Clerk

MINUTES

Sandusky made a MOTION; seconded by Baldorossi to approve the following minutes. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

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FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENCE

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky; seconded by Baldorossi to receive and file the Chief of Police's report, Township Clerk's report and Court Administrator's report for February 2006. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Sandusky made a MOTION; seconded by Baldorossi to approve the Treasurer's Bill List. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing at this time.

APPLICATIONS

A. Annual Easter Egg Hunt: Florence Township Fire Company, H. Kenneth Wilkie Memorial River's Edge Park, April 15, 2006, 9:00 AM

It was on the MOTION of Garganio, seconded by Baldorossi to approve the above application.

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On the Question

Council Member Sandusky asked that a copy of the request be given to the Chief of Police. Clerk Weiler had forwarded a copy to him and the Chief had stated that the Police will provide an officer for traffic control that day.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Sandusky, Fratinardo
NOES: None
ABSENT: Ryan

Motion carries.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None at this time.

All residents having an opportunity to be heard, MOTION by Garganio; seconded by Baldorossi to close the public portion of the meeting. All ayes - motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-57

TRANSFERRING CERTAIN 2005 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-58

**AWARD CONTRACT FOR 2005 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
BLOCK GRANT FOR SIDEWALK PROJECT
TO SULLIVAN & PIGLIACELLI, 556 ROBERTS AVENUE,
BELLMAUR, NJ, 08031**

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-59

**RESOLUTION TO WITHHOLD FUTURE INSTALLMENTS FOR SPECIAL
ASSESSMENT FROM THE 2006 TAX SALE**

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-60

**RESOLUTION TO OMIT PROPERTIES FROM THE 2006 TAX SALE THAT
WERE APPROVED FOR PAYMENT PLANS**

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-61

AUTHORIZING REFUNDS OF CERTAIN TAX OVERPAYMENTS

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-62

**RELEASE PERFORMANCE BONDS FOR
HILL CREEK FARMS, PHASE I AND II
CONDITIONED UPON POSTING TWO YEAR
MAINTENANCE BONDS**

NOTE: Also conditioned upon payment of any and all escrow money due

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-63

**AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF CURRENT ESTIMATE NO. 5 (FINAL)
AND CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR TEST WELL NO. 6
TO WILLIAM STOTHOFF CO., INC.
P.O. BOX 68
FLEMINGTON, NJ 08822**

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-64

**AUTHORIZE THE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR AND
ASSISTANT MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR TO PREPARE
SPECIFICATIONS AND OBTAIN BIDS
FOR MEDICAL BILLING CONTRACT**

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-65

**AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF TWO 2006 FORD CROWN
VICTORIA POLICE INTERCEPTORS
POLICE VEHICLE, STATE CONTRACT PURCHASE
A45069**

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-66

**APPROVE DEVELOPER'S AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE AND CRAFT-STEWART, LLC
FOR ESTATES AT OAK MILLS**

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Garganio that Resolutions 2006-57 through 2006-66 be approved.

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On the Question

Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Sandusky, Fratinardo

NOES: None

ABSENT: Ryan

Motion carries.

ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE NO. 2006-08

(1st Reading)

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE AMENDING THE
CHAPTER 140 WATER AND SEWERS, SECTION 140-42 WATER METERS OF
THE FLORENCE CODE**

ORDINANCE NO. 2006-09

(1st Reading)

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE AMENDING THE
CHAPTER 122 (SOLID WASTE), ARTICLE IV (RECYCLING) OF THE
FLORENCE CODE**

ORDINANCE NO. 2006-10

(1st Reading)

**AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET
APPROPRIATION LIMITS
AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK
(N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

It was on the MOTION of Garganio, seconded by Sandusky to approve Ordinance No. 2006-08 through 2006-10 on first reading and set adoption for April 5, 2006.

On the Question

Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Sandusky, Fratinardo

NOES: None

ABSENT: Ryan

Unanimous approval.

REPORTS

Committees, Boards and Officers

- Nothing at this time.

Mayor Muchowski

- Mayor Muchowski has reached out to several individuals who may be interested in filling the **vacancies** on the **Recreation Committee**. He should have recommendations for the first meeting in April.
- Mayor Muchowski reported that Administrator Brook will be distributing the **budget** early next week. Budget meetings will be set at that time. Administrator Brook offered to meet with any Council Member that would like him to review the budget in depth.

Administrator

- Administrator Brook stated that the **Transit Village presentation** will be held at the May Worksession at 7:00PM.
- Administrator Brook stated that discussion regarding potential **uses** for the **Roebbling Fire House** will be held in April. Mayor Muchowski discussed the concerns raised with the Roebbling Historical Society regarding storage of their items at the firehouse. Council Member Garganio suggested storage at the old Public Works facility. Dan Guzzi, Township Engineer, does not believe that they can avoid installing sprinklers in the basement of the firehouse. If the sprinklers were to go off it would ruin the historical documents. Alternatives will be discussed.

Assistant Administrator

- Assistant Administrator Sahol discussed the problems trucks are having with proper directions and the need to make U turns. He suggested working with the Chief of Police and a subcommittee of Council to work with the Turnpike, County and State Department of Transportation and some of the truck drivers to see why the **truckers** appear to be having **problems**. Council Member Sandusky will join subcommittee.

Township Solicitor

- Nothing at this time.

Township Engineer

- Nothing at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council Member Baldorossi, as requested, did try to contact someone regarding accepting an appointment to the **Housing Authority** but the gentleman was unavailable. He will try to contact him again this week.

NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Sandusky attended the **Florence Township High School Jazz Band** Café Night this past Saturday Night and enjoyed the show. He stated that the band is

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trying to raise \$35,000 dollars for a new piano and suggested that they perform a couple **concerts** at the Roebling Main Street Firehouse over the summer to **raise money**.

Council Member Sandusky suggested that during the **League of Municipalities Convention** Council hold a **dinner** together. Council Members believe that is a good idea.

BOARD OF HEALTH

Nothing at this time.

MISCELLANEOUS

Nothing at this time.

8:09 PM MOTION by Sandusky, seconded by Baldorossi to adjourn meeting. Roll call vote - all ayes.

ADJOURNMENT

8:09 PM: Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

JOY M. WEILER
Township Clerk

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